## H. CON. RES. 295

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 17, 2008

Received and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Expressing the deepest appreciation of Congress to the families of members of the United States Armed Forces.

Whereas more than 2,000,000 Americans are demonstrating their devotion to the United States and freedom by serving in the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas there are a multitude of family members, including mothers, fathers, siblings, spouses, and children, supporting each member of the Armed Forces;

- Whereas, even in peacetime, the family of a member of the Armed Forces makes concessions given the inherent dangers of military service and the frequent relocations resulting in disruption of everyday routine;
- Whereas, during wartime, family members endure increased sacrifices, forgo time with their loved one, and face increased worry and uncertainty when their loved one serves extended tours overseas or engages in enhanced training activities;
- Whereas an increasing number of family members have taken on volunteer responsibilities in organizations associated with the Armed Forces;
- Whereas the family of a member of the Armed Forces wounded in action willingly accepts the additional role of caregiver, even when it requires postponement of personal goals;
- Whereas the families of members of the Armed Forces serve as a pillar of strength and encouragement for those serving the interests of the United States at home and abroad; and
- Whereas the families of members of the Armed Forces play a critical role in providing emotional support and readjustment assistance as members transition from military life to civilian life: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
  - 2 concurring), That Congress expresses its deepest apprecia-
  - 3 tion to the families, both immediate and extended, of
  - 4 members of the United States Armed Forces for the un-
  - 5 wavering support, both physical and emotional, that family

1 members give their loved ones while they answer the call

2 to serve their country and keep the United States safe.

Passed the House of Representatives July 16, 2008.

Attest:

LORRAINE C. MILLER,

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Deputy Clerk.